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32. (New) The device according to claim 17, wherein the flame-heated tube has, besides the sample inlet opening and two end openings, at least one additional opening facing away from the burner slit.--

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Cancel the present Abstract of the Disclosure and substitute therefor the enclosed Abstract of the Disclosure which is attached to the Substitute Specification.

REMARKS

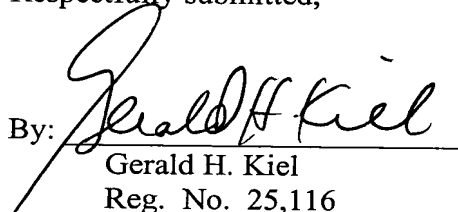
Claims 1-18 have been cancelled and new claims 17-32 have been added.
The amendments to the claims have been made only to improve the form of the claims for examination purposes.

The specification and abstract have been amended to conform it to U.S. format.

An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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